

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Youji MARUYAMA et al.

Application No.: 10/808,251

Filed: March 23, 2004

For: MAGNETIC HEAD WHOSE  
COMPOSITE MAGNETIC CORE IS  
RECESSED FROM AIR BEARING  
SURFACE

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 4216

Examiner: Angel A. Castro

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2627

RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Sir:

Accompanying the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, and in response to the Office Action including final rejection of the claims mailed April 11, 2007 in the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.